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Publication of Trade Fair Report as a Classified Intelligence
Memorandum

1. It is recommended that the recently completed trade fair report, Project No. b2.1026, after minor changes and an addition of an appendix of 1956 activities, be published as an I^m. The contemplated changes will necessitate a classification of CONFIDENTIAL.

2. The trade fair paper was written at the request of SA/ODI for the OCB Trade Fair Committee. Distribution of the paper in an unclassified form has been made to a select group, principally non-IAC agencies.

3. Before ORR started this project, an informal canvass of several CIA offices and IAC agencies was made to determine the Intelligence Community's interest. The report was expanded by ORR beyond OCB's original requirements to meet the intelligence gaps revealed by the survey. To the best of our knowledge it is the first formal report on the subject and meets a definite need of the Intelligence Community.

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